GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COAL AND MINES
LOK SABHA

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COMMITTEE REPORT ON ROYALTY OF COAL
SANAT KUMAR MANDAL

Will the Minister of COAL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) the reasons for delay in taking action in the revision of royalty rates of coal report submitted by the Committee set up for this purpose;

(b) the progress made so far; and

(c) the time by which a decision is likely to be taken in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR COAL AND MINES (SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD)

(a) to (c): After extensive discussions with all the concerned, including state governments, the report of the Committee on adoption of ad-valorem basis for determination of royalty on coal and revision of royalty rates was received in the Department of Coal in December, 2001. After considering the report, a note was prepared and circulated to concerned Ministries and Department for their views. The final note incorporating these views and the observations of the Department of Coalthereon has since been submitted to the Cabinet Secretariat for placing before the Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA) for their consideration.

The new rates of royalty on coal can be notified only after the CCEA takes a decision on the proposal contained in the note.